

# By the Queene.

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Here by occasion of certayne arrestes made in the lowe Countreys of the kyng of Spayne, in the yere of our Lorde 1568. by order of the Duke of Alua Lieftenaunt and Captayne generall in the sayde lowe Countreys, the Queenes Maiesties subiectes with all theyr goodes, shippes, marchaundizes and monies were there taken, deteyned, and sealed, and the lyke after that was executed in Spayne and other the sayde kynges Countreys. For remedy wherof, the Queenes Maiestie at the instance of her marchauntes and subiectes whom the same dyd concerne, dyd vse such meanes in staying of the goodes and marchaundizes of the subiectes of the sayde kyng within her dominions, as by the treatise of peace and entercourse betwixt the predecessours of her Maiestie, and the sayde kyng was lawfull, and as had ben before tymes used: and sence that tyme also her Maiestie of late upon motion made to her by sundry marchauntes straungers, pretending interest in some part of the goodes here stayed, hath ben pleased to admit a communication and treatie to be had aswell here in this Realme, as on the other side of the seas, for the behoofe of the marchauntes of both partes, to the intent there myght be a release, deliuerie, and restitution or recompence of and for all maner persons arrested, with their goodes, shippes, marchaundizes and monies, and thereby some further occasion geuen to reuiue the former freendly entercourse of marchauntes on all partes, accordyng to their mutuall desire: the discontinuance whereof was neither intended nor occasioned by her Maiestie. Hereupon it hath seemed meete to her Maiestie, therein folowynge the lyke order as in the sayde kynges name by deliberation of the sayde Duke of Alua in the said lowe countreys, hath ben published about the beginning of this moneth, that some certayne knowledge shoulde be had of the losse and damage of her Maiesties subiectes by reason of the foresaid arrestes, so as their indemnities myght be prouided for.

And therfore her Maiestie wylleth and commaundeth that all and euery her subiectes, or others inhabitants within her Realmes & dominions, that wyl or desire to haue deliuerie and restitution of their goodes, or any other thinges deteyned and arrested in any her Maiesties countreys, shall within one moneth after the publication hereof in any shire of this Realme, present or sende into the handes of the principall officers of any one of these cities and towne folowynge, that is to say, London, Southampton, Bristol, Chester, Newcastle, Hull, and Ipswicke, as they shall finde it most conuenient, a certayne and particular declaration of the persons, shippes, goodes, marchaundizes, debtes or money, which hath ben taken or sealed by reason of the sayde arrestes in any of the sayde kynges countreys and dominions. And after the same shalbe so deliuered to the foresayde principall officers of any of the foresayde Cities or Townes: Her Maiestie further wylleth and commaundeth that to all the sayde declarations filed together, the common seale of the sayde Cities and Townes shalbe affixed: and after then, immediatly sent and deliuered to the court of the admiraltie in the sayde Citie of London, there to remayne to be considered as her Maiestie shall further order for the benefite of her subiectes.

Given at her Maiesties manor of Otelande the last day of June, 1570. in the twelfth yere of her Maiesties raigne.

*God saue the Queene.*

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